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**TRIAL MINUTES OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS**

For The Northern Mariana Islands
By _____
(Deputy Clerk)

CR-03-00001-001

August 9, 2005
8:00 a.m.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA -vs-VAN LEE

PRESENT: Hon. A. Wallace Tashima, Senior Circuit Judge
Sanae Shmull, Court Reporter
Michelle C. Macaranas, Courtroom Deputy
Timothy Moran, Assistant U. S. Attorney
G. Anthony Long, Retained Attorney for Defendant
Vann Lee, Defendant

PROCEEDINGS: STATUS CONFERENCE / MOTIONS HEARING

Government by Timothy Moran, AUSA. Attorney G. Anthony Long was present on behalf and with defendant, Vann Lee. Also present was FBI Agent, Joe Auther.

Government reported to the Court that they are prepared to proceed with trial. AUSA, Tim Moran reported that their case would probably be finished by Friday. Defense counsel Long also reports to the Court that they are prepared to proceed as well. Court informed counsels that the Court will begin jury selection on Wednesday, August 10, 2005 at 9:00 a.m.

Court took up pending motions. After all arguments, Court reserved on the issue regarding the defendant's marital breakdown and that a hearing may be set later this afternoon for testimony from the defendant's wife. As to the burglary acts and guns recovered from the defendant and co-conspirator's (deceased) home, Court with respect to the prior burglary, GRANTED this issue as admissible. Court SUSTAINED on the issue with regards to the weapons found in the two homes.

Court set a hearing for today, August 9, 2005 at 4:00pm.

Adjourned 8:55 p.m.


Michelle C. Macaranas, Court Deputy